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SUBJECT: MONTEVIDEO CONSULAR CONFERENCE -- ATTENDANCE BY CONSUL
BELEM

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1. EMBASSY BRASILIA AND CONSULATE BELEM BELIEVE THAT THE NEW
CONSUL, JOSEPH F. BECELIA, SHOULD GIVE CONSIDERATION TO ATTENDING
THE MONTEVIDEO CONSULAR CONFERENCE, EVEN IF IT MEANS ADVANCING
HIS ETA IN BRAZIL.

2. ALTHOUGH CONSULATE BELEM IS NOT A FULL-SERVICE POST, THE CONSUL
MUST PROVIDE PROTECTIVE ASSISTANCE AND COUNSEL TO A LARGE NUMBER
OF AMERICANS WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF PROBLEMS. THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS

RESIDENT IN THE CONSULAR DISTRICT PROBABLY HAS REACHED 7,000. IN
RECENT YEARS AMERICAN TOURISM IN THE AMAZON REGION HAS BOOMED.
THE DISTRICT IS NOW SERVED BY EIGHT INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS,
FOUR OF THEM TO THE U.S. BRANIFF MAY ADD A FLIGHT TO THE U.S.
LATER THIS YEAR. (IN BRAZIL, ONLY THE RIO DE JANEIRO AND SAO PAULO
CONSULAR DISTRICT HAVE MORE FLIGHTS TO THE UNITED STATES.) AS A
RESULT, CONSULAR WORK, AND PARTICULARLY PROTECTIVE ASSISTANCE
TO AMERICAN CITIZENS, IS BECOMING THE CENTRAL FUNCTION OF THE CONSUL
IN BELEM.

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3. IN THE POST'S OPINION, THE CONSULAR CONFERENCE WILL BE OF VALUE
TO THE NEW CONSUL NOT ONLY BY INFORMING HIM OF THE LATEST
REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES, BUT ALSO, AND PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANTLY,
BY BRINGING HIM FULLY ABREAST OF CONGRESSIONAL AND EXECUTIVE
BRANCH THINKING ON THE USG'S RESPONSABILITIES FOR AMERICAN CITIZENS
ABROAD. THESE RESPONSABILITIES IN THE AMAZON REGION ARE SIGNIFICANT

AND GROWING, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE ISOLATION OF THIS REGION, THE
INCREASING NUMBER OF AMERICANS RESIDING IN OR VISITING THE AMAZON,
AND THE NATURE OF THE BRAZILIAN OFFICIAL PRESENCE HERE.
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